



Agenda Report

January 25, 1999

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: REJECTION OF ALL BIDS RE: SPECIFICATIONS AND PROPOSAL FOR INSTALLATION, FUSION SPLICING, TESTING, AND CERTIFICATION OF THE CITY'S FIBER OPTIC BACKBONE SYSTEM

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council reject all bids received for the installation, fusion splicing, testing and certification of the City's fiber optic backbone system.

BACKGROUND

On November 25, 1998 staff issued the subject specifications. Eight responses were received and opened in the City Clerk's office on December 29, 1999. Following the pre-bid conference and job walk, many questions have been posed by the bidders which led staff to make the decision to clarify certain aspects of the specifications. Therefore, staff is recommending the rejection of all bids. It is anticipated that the specifications can be reissued promptly and a contract award is anticipated for City Council action on February 8, 1999.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of reissuing and rebidding the specifications is negligible. Funds for this project are budgeted in the FY99 Telecommunications Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

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